

Arbor Day
March 7, 2007

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara is proud of its approximately 40,000 public open space, park, and street trees, and supports Arbor Day observances that will be held locally at six grade school campuses, and throughout the state, during the week of March 7; and

WHEREAS, in partnership with various community organizations, the City recognizes the importance of professional tree care and annual tree planting programs, and demonstrates its vigilance in creating a more livable community through the actions of our Trees Committee, Parks Committee, Planning Commission, and City Council; and

WHEREAS, our City offers a special acknowledgement to Santa Barbara Beautiful for its significant contribution to our urban forest through the planting of more than 10,000 street trees in the past 41 years; and

WHEREAS, this spring, Santa Barbara celebrates 105 years of City Parks, providing stewardship of trees, parks, and open space,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTY BLUM, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby proclaim March 7, 2007 as **ARBOR DAY** in the City of Santa Barbara and recognize our City's 27-yearlong designation as a "Tree City USA" by the National Arbor Day Foundation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 1st day of March, 2007.

Marty Blum MARTY BLUM, MAYOR

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